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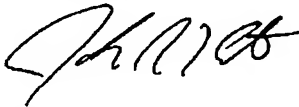
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Examiner Easthom,

Please find attached hereto the following documents for the above-identified application:

- Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



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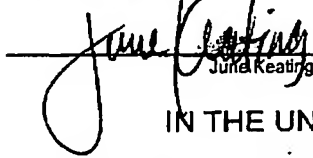
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kazuyuki IKEDA	Art Unit: 2832
Serial No.: 10/735,765	
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 1, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ Amendments to the Specification begin on page      of this paper.
- ☒ Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ Amendments to the Drawings begin on page      of this paper and include  
an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper

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